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## Kensington Park Library Book Club

Fall/Winter 2014

**Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.**

Michael Marx, retired librarian, will discuss **Walt Whitman** based on these titles:

*Walt Whitman's America* by David S. Reynolds; *Walt Whitman* by Annie Kantrowitz or by David S. Reynolds; *The Better Angel: Walt Whitman in the Civil War* by Roy Morris; *Lincoln and Whitman: Parallel Lives in Civil War Washington* by Daniel Mark Epstein and *Leaves of Grass* by Walt Whitman.

Please come to join us for a lively discussion of Walt Whitman's life and literary work. In his own time he was dismissed by many as a heretic. Now many consider him the quintessential American poet. What do you think?

**Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.**

Mickey Korn will discuss ***Charming Billy*** by Alice McDermott.

*Charming Billy* won the 1998 National Book Award for fiction, a Whiting Writers Award, and the 2008 Corrington Award for Literature. Set in the Irish-American communities of Queens, the Bronx and the Hamptons, Billy Lynch's death from alcoholism is the starting point for this novel about love and delusion.

**Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.**

Jean Agenbroad will discuss ***Housekeeping*** by Marilynne Robinson

This modern classic—one of The Guardian's 100 best novels of all time—won the PEN/Hemingway Award for best first novel in 1980. Robinson tells the story of Ruth and her younger sister, Lucille and their struggle toward adulthood among three generations of women in their Idaho town.

**Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2015 at 11:00 a.m.**

Anneli Levy will discuss ***We are all Completely Beside Ourselves*** by Karen Joy Fowler

Winner of the PEN/Faulkner Fiction Award; nominated for the Nebula Award for Best Novel and the Man Booker Prize. 22-year-old narrator Rosemary feels that she and Fern were somehow not only sisters but also twins. She was devastated when Fern disappeared—and her older brother Lowell vanished also. Fowler explores the profound consequences of an unusual family configuration in sustained flashbacks.

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